

# Nebraska Weekly Weather & Crop Report



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WEATHER The past week was cold and stormy over most of Nebraska with much snow falling over the northwestern half of the State.

Weekly precipitation totals of an inch or more were the rule across the Cornhusker State last week. Most of the precipitation fell during the first half of last week and was in the form of rain in the east, snow in the west, and a mixture of the two--plus freezing drizzle in the central and south central. Showers and thunderstorms deposited 24 hour rainfall amounts ranging from one to two and a half inches in the southeast on the 30th with heavy snow falling from the southwest into the north central on November 1.

The November 1 storm deposited abnormally large amounts of wet snow from the southern Panhandle into the east portion of north central Nebraska with 24 hour accumulations ranging from 12 to 25 inches in the zone of heaviest snow. Ainsworth measured 25 inches of snow during the storm while Mullen totaled 21 inches. Roads were blocked, and damage to trees and rooftops resulted from the heavy snowfall.

Large contrasts in temperature were noted across the State last week as temperatures averaged from eight to 12 degrees below normal in the northwest half to near normal in the extreme southeast. Temperatures were exceptionally cold in the west from October 28 through November 1, inclusive, with maxima in the 20's and 30's and minima in the teens and 20's common in that area.

CROPS Rain and snow last week completely stopped all harvesting during the first part of the week. Snow in the west was wet and fell without wind, keeping damage to unharvested crops at a minimum.

Corn harvest progressed slowly with limited harvest late in the week. Harvest is now 38% complete compared with 77% last year and 54% normal. The crop is still in good condition, and ear drop and stalk breakage problems are reported as normal. Fields are still too wet for trucks, and combines are pulling out of the fields to unload.

Sorghum is now 60% harvested compared with last year's 92% and normal at 70%. Wind over the week end helped dry the sorghum, and harvest resumed on a very limited basis Saturday and Sunday.

Soybean harvest is 80% complete. Last year 96% was harvested and normal is 91%. Sugar beet harvest is 95% complete and is at a standstill with the fields covered with snow.

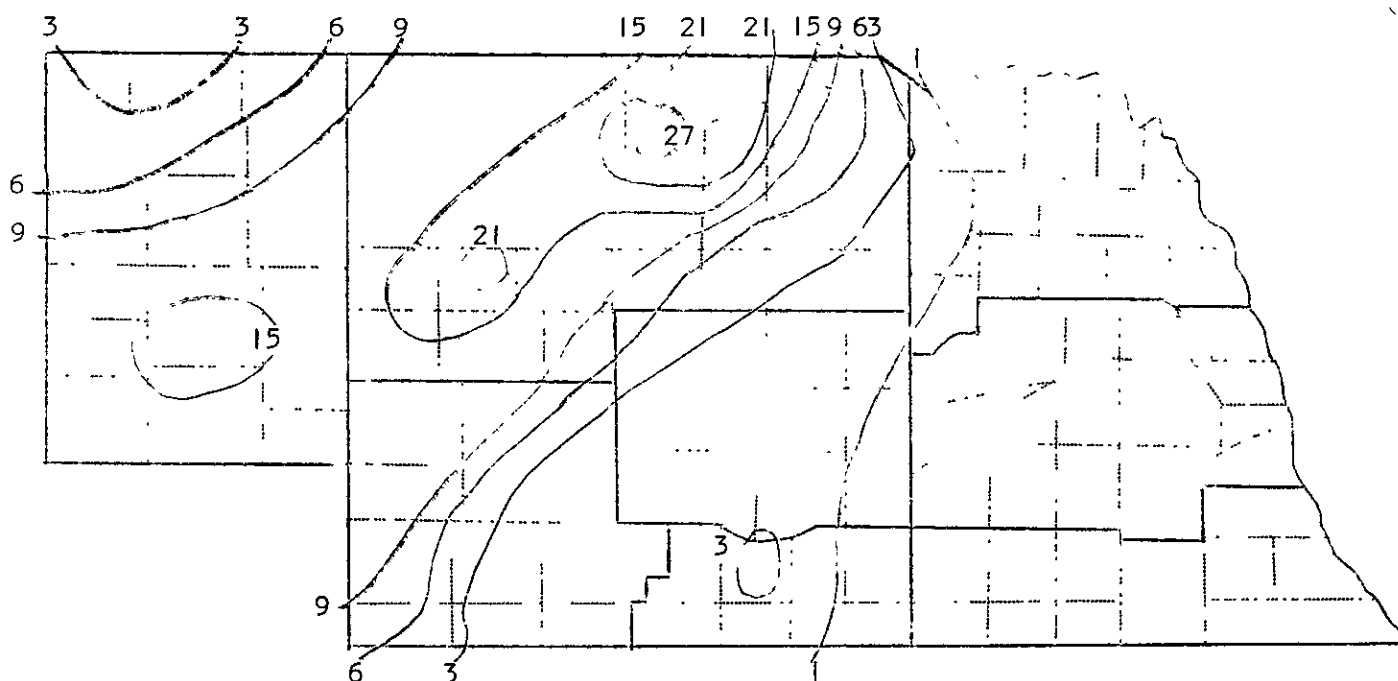
Winter wheat is in very good condition and entering dormancy with excellent moisture.

LIVESTOCK Livestock are in good condition and are being turned into stalk fields. The areas receiving snow last week had to supplement feed requirements with hay. Feedlots across the State are extremely muddy.

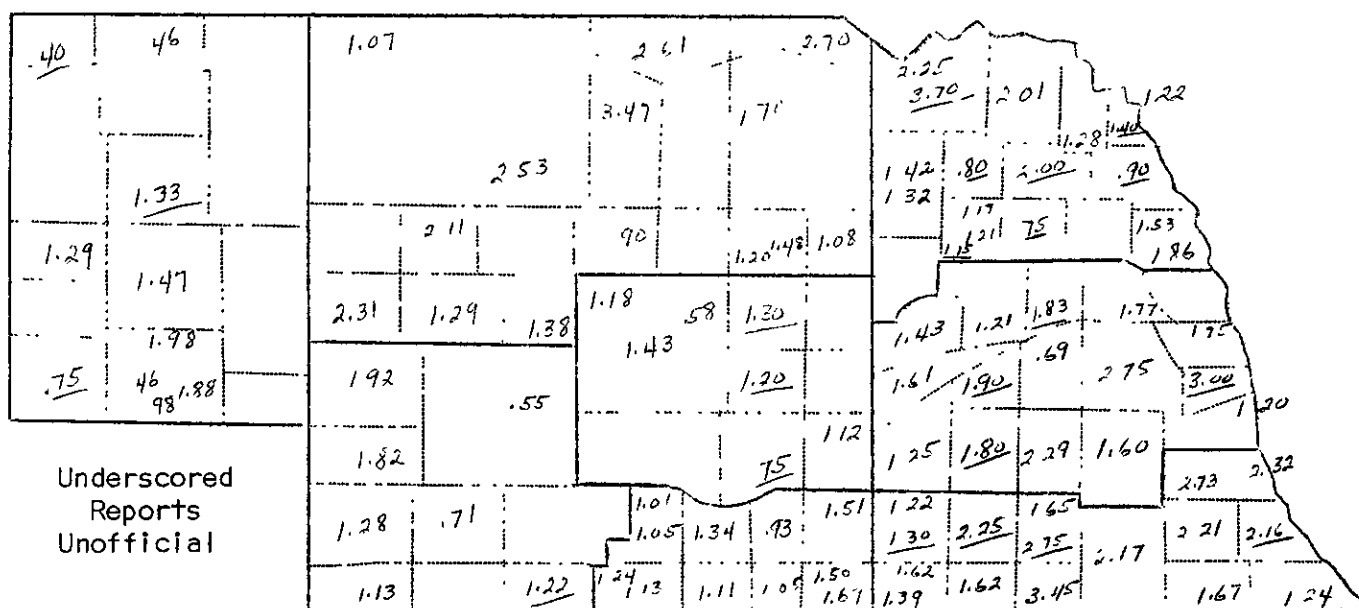
## NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 11/5/72

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.98	Burwell	--	Chadron	.29
Lincoln	1.62	North Platte	.49	Imperial	--
Norfolk	1.08	Valentine	1.15	Scottsbluff	.93
Omaha	1.66			Sidney	.64
Sioux City	1.19				

TOTAL SNOWFALL FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 1972 (inches)



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 1972



Underscored  
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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;  
Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		October				November									
		30th		31st		1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	24	18	32	11	33	24	51	34	58	26	63	32	63	42
	Scottsbluff	23	19	30	20	32	21	47	35	54	27	51	27	55	39
	Sidney	23	16	33	25	30	21	42	32	51	23	51	24	60	35
NC	Burwell	38	28	32	27	--	30	38	18	52	25	64	37	63	--
	Valentine	30	20	31	18	30	28	38	15	45	20	48	21	45	28
NE	Norfolk	44	33	38	33	42	35	40	35	54	27	64	42	66	49
	Sioux City	52	42	50	39	45	44	45	37	42	30	64	42	66	53
CEN	Grand Island	46	32	33	32	41	34	46	30	55	31	64	46	65	47
EC	Lincoln	53	40	41	38	46	36	44	38	46	29	65	44	68	50
	Omaha	52	44	50	39	47	36	41	36	40	33	62	47	64	47
SW	Imperial	25	20	31	27	--	--	44	--	50	26	56	25	52	28
	North Platte	33	23	31	23	31	29	38	19	48	21	52	28	46	--

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